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Sir:

Submitted herewith please find an Information Disclosure Statement for the above identified application, consisting of Form PTO/SB/08A along with one (1) copy of a U.S. patent. The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Applicants respectfully submit that the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is not a representation that a prior art search was conducted or that the information cited is material to the patentability of the invention as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56, or that any cited document is prior art. Applicants request that the Examiner consider the reference, determine its relevance to the present application, if any, and list the reference on the face of any patent which may issue from the present application. Applicants further request that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A be returned to applicants.

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Respectfully submitted,

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